

I understand that Sinclair Broadcasting is mandating that its stations broadcast a strongly anti-Kerry documentary entitled "Stolen Honor" in the period leading up to Election Day. It is deeply regrettable that a company which benefits from the use of public airwaves would threaten public deliberation about a presidential election by broadcasting such a one-sided treatment as if it were "news."

It is also regrettable that media consolidation has permitted Sinclair to control the broadcasting of so many stations affecting so many different communities. An irresponsible act by a media corporation is a bad thing; an irresponsible act by a media corporation that controls more television stations than there are states in the Union is a threat to well-informed democratic deliberation.

Thank you for your consideration.